

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L USBERLIN 1397

E O 11652: GDS  
TAGS: PGOV PFOR US WB GE GW FR UK UR  
SUBJ: SPANGENBERG OBSERVATIONS ON GERMAN DEVELOPMENTS

1. AT MONTHLY LUNCHEON WITH ALLIED MINISTERS MAY 24, FEDERAL  
PLENIPOTENTIARY SPANENBERG TOOK VERY GLOOMY VIEW OF FORTH-  
COMING GERMAN-GERMAN NEGOTIATIONS AND OUTLOOK IN GENERAL.  
HE SAID FRG WOULD FACE VERY HARD GOING IN TALKS WITH GDR  
ON POSSIBLE PROJECTS. IN PARTICULAR HE THOUGHT GDR WOULD  
STONEWALL FRG ON QUESTION OF LONG-RANGE ENERGY SUPPLY TO  
WEST BERLIN, REASON BEING THAT GDR AIRMS OF ISOLATING AND  
"DRYING OUT" WESTERN SECTORS OF BERLIN ARE TOO IMPORTANT  
TO BE OFFSET BY FRG LURES OF SWING OR OTHER CREDIT. ON  
GENERAL PROSPECTS, HE SAID HONECKERIS VERY DUBIOUS ABOUT  
EVERYBODY IN SIGHT, INCLUDING AMERICAN, SOVIET, AND WEST  
GERMAN LEADERSHIP, AND WILL MAKE NO COMMITMENTS UNTIL  
HE HAS BETTER FEEL OF WHERE EVERYTHING IS GOING.

2. SPANGENBERG SAID HE HEARD STORY, ON SENSITIVE-  
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SOURCE BASIS WHICH HE HAD NOT YET REPORTED TO HIS  
SUPERIORS, THAT GDR PLANS HOLD EXTENSIVE MILITARY  
EXERCISE THIS SUMMER, CHIEF ASSUMPTION OF SCENARIO  
BEING CHANGE OF LEADERSHIP IN A SOCIALIST COUNTRY.  
HE SAID THAT AS FAR AS HE KNOWS EXERCISE WILL BE CON-  
FINED TO EAST GERMANY AND HE DOES NOT KNOW IF SOVIET  
TROOPS WILL PARTICIPATE. HE ASSUMES COUNTRY IN QUESTION

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